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SUBJECT: POLISH GOLF CARTS: CALCULATION OF FAIR VALUE  
FOR 1976 AND 1977

1. STREBSKI OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND MARITIME ECONOMY HAS TOLD US THAT HE HAS RECEIVED "VERY DISCOURAGING" INDICATIONS THAT TREASURY MAY DECIDE TO USE THE U.S. SELLING PRICE AS THE BASIS FOR CALCULATING THE FAIR VALUE OF POLISH GOLF CARTS FOR BOTH 1976 AND 1977. STREBSKI SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE WAS CONSIDERING RECOMMENDING THIS APPROACH AFTER ITS PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY THE POLES EARLIER THIS YEAR. HE SAID USE OF THE U.S. SELLING PRICE WOULD BE "DISASTROUS" AND THE GOP WOULD TRY TO UNDERSCORE THIS POINT AGAIN WITH TREASURY.

2. WE REMINDED STREBSKI THAT THE GOP HAD BEEN CAUTIONED (STATE 61237) THAT SUBMISSION OF NEW INFORMATION THIS YEAR MIGHT REQUIRE RECONSIDERATION OF THE BASE OF CALCULATING FAIR VALUE, INCLUDING THE POSSIBLE USE OF U.S. PRICES. STREBSKI REPLIED THAT THE NEW INFORMATION BETTER DOCUMENTED PAST PRICES OF THE CANADIAN PRODUCER OF COMPARI-

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SON, AND HE COULD THEREFORE NOT UNDERSTAND THE LOGIC OF A REVERSAL OF OUR PREVIOUS APPROACH. HE SAID THAT RESORTING TO U.S. PRICES AS THE BASIS OF COMPARISON WOULD BE MARKEDLY WORSE THAN THE APPROACH DESCRIBED TO DEPUTY PREMIER OLSZEWSKI AND VICE MINISTER STRZELECKI (STATE 36197), AND THAT IT WOULD THEREFORE BE DOUBLY HARD TO EXPLAIN TO THE POLISH LEADERSHIP.

3. COMMENT: WE HOPE THAT STREBSKI'S INFORMATION IS IN-  
ACCURATE, AND WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING A STATUS REPORT  
ON TREASURY'S DELIBERATIONS ON FAIR VALUE FOR 1976 AND 1977.  
WE SEE NO WAY IN WHICH USE OF U.S. SELLING PROCE WOULD BE  
CONSISTENT WITH OUR ASSURANCES TO THE GOP THAT WE WISH TO  
APPLY THE ANTI-DUMPING REGULATIONS IN A "REASONABLE" WAY  
WHICH WOULD NOT DRIVE PEZETEL OUR OF THE MARKET.  
END COMMENT.  
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